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2013 NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE CAMP, CHARLESTON, USA: HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SOUGHT

The U.S. Embassy and National Institute for Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST) are pleased to invite applications from students in the North-Eastern and South-Eastern educational districts for a full scholarship to the National Youth Science Camp (NYSC) in West Virginia, United States.

Two high school seniors from Trinidad and Tobago will receive a full scholarship to exchange ideas with scientists and other professionals from the academic and corporate worlds. The month-long experience includes lectures and hands-on research projects presented by scientists from across the United States; overnight camping trips into the Monongahela National Forest; and a visit to Washington D.C. The selected delegates must not only demonstrate academic achievement in science, but also show potential for thoughtful scientific leadership.

The NYSC experience is offered at no cost to its participants, so that selected delegates may attend regardless of their financial status. Contributions to the National Youth Science Foundation allow delegates to participate in this “once in a lifetime” experience. Educational and recreational programming, as well as meals, lodging, and round-trip air fare on scheduled airlines are provided free of charge.

Students will, however, be required to qualify for and cover the costs associated with their visa application. For more information about how to apply for a U.S. visa, please visit:

www.trinidad.usembassy.gov

The chosen students will arrive in Charleston, West Virginia, on Wednesday 26th June, 2013 and depart on Saturday 20 July, 2013. The NYSC is held near Bartow in the eastern mountains of West Virginia, within the Monongahela National Forest. Info has to be updated re: dates

For this year's competition, candidates will be considered from two of the eight educational districts in Trinidad and Tobago, namely North-Eastern and South-Eastern. For successive years' competitions, two educational districts will be selected annually on a rotating basis from which interested students will be encouraged to apply. Last year students were selected from the educational districts of Tobago and St. Patrick. Further information can be found on either the U.S. Embassy OR the NIHERST website.

U.S. Embassy - <http://trinidad.usembassy.gov/>

NIHERST - <http://www.niherst.gov.tt/>



The list of eligible schools for this year's competition is as follows:

North-Eastern:

Arima Government Secondary
Arima Senior Secondary
Bates Memorial High
Brazil High School
Coryal High School
Guaico Government Secondary
Holy Cross College
Malabar Composite
Manzanilla High School
Matelot Community School
Matura High School
North Eastern College
St Andrews College
SWAHA High School
Toco Composite
Valencia High School

South-Eastern:

ASJA Girls' High School, Barrackpore
Barrackpore Secondary
Barrackpore Secondary Comprehensive
Cowen Hamilton Secondary
Mayaro Composite
Moruga Composite
Princes Town Junior Secondary
Princes Town Senior Secondary
Rio Claro College
Rio Claro High School
St Stephen's College
Tabaquite Composite
Tableland High School
Williamsville Junior Secondary

Application forms are available on the NYSC website at www.nysc.org and must be submitted directly to the National Institute for Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST) at the following address:

The Selection Coordinator
NIHERST
77 Eastern Main Road
St. Augustine
Fax: 645-7805
Email: project@niherst.gov.tt

Applications must be received by **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, 2013.**

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